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New Regulations for Oil Leases

Cancelled Leases are to be Auctioned. Notice of Sale Will be Posted in Office of Mining Recorder for District.

Following is the latest regulations and the yearly rental \$1.00 and certain improvements which in very few cases have been complied with. Under the new regulations we presume all cancelled leases will be advertised and will be available to the highest bidder. This should cut out the chances of the speculators who have been filing on leases and holding them till someone started development, when they expected to sell them at a big advance. Apparently the government is beginning to see where their old regulations are at fault. Many very promising districts in Alberta are being held back, for the simple reason that no real development work was being done. Leases have been held in the Irma field for nearly seven years and not one well has been put down to the oil bearing sands. Now that these changes have been made, if the government would cancel all leases on which the owners had not been complying with the regulations, then would arrange for wells to be put down to the depth recommended by their geologists, the leases could soon be sold for more than the cost of drilling. In case the government did not want to do the drilling themselves, they could arrange to assist parties interested, provided the wells were in locations that would prove the field. We would suggest following the Battle River ridge starting say six or ten miles from the Grattan well and running northwest as far as Birch Lake. Then if another string of wells was run from Viking, say a hundred miles northeast. This would prove the field and would leave room for all the capital that wanted to come in. This area has all been explored by government and other geologists who have reported very favorably on it; several companies have made attempts at drilling, but as we stated before, apparently had not intended completing years, several times. Before this it has been easier for a party to let a lease be cancelled and have a friend file on it, as soon as it was available. The filing fee was 50 cents per acre.

SAN FRANCISCO VISITOR SEEKS FOR OIL LEASES

Possessing forty thousand acres of oil leases in the district contiguous to this city and anxious to interest himself in the acquisition of additional holdings, Robert Cordis, junior, of San Francisco, is a visitor in Edmonton and called on several local oil lease operators Wednesday morning. The leases already held by Mr. Cordis are situated in the Irma, Czar and other fields where development work already carried on has given sufficient encouragement for a steady prosecution of work in order that the oil bearing properties of the lands may be definitely proven. Mr. Cordis declares he has a great deal of confidence in the Alberta oil field and looks to it for the development of one of the most resourceful fields on the American continent. With the supply of oil in the United States and other oil producing regions becoming so depleted as not to adequately meet the demand, oil companies and private individuals are at present carrying on a search in order to discover new territory that will yield the needed fluid. Particular attention is being paid to Alberta and the North-West Territories at this time each incoming train is bringing to this city—the jumping off point of the prospective fields—considerable numbers of prospectors and others who are planning to look over the situation for themselves.

—Bulletin

TENNIS CLUB TO BE FORMED

Next meeting of the Guild will be held Monday evening. All interested in tennis whether members of the Guild or not are cordially invited to attend. Lila Maquire, Sec.-Treas.

TEXAS AND OKLAHOMA CAPITALISTS MAY WORK IN IRMA FIELD

Mr. W. J. Coyle, late of Fort Worth Texas was in Irma last Wednesday. Mr. Coyle predicts great activity in Irma and other Alberta districts as soon as Texas and Oklahoma capitalists are assured they will be allowed to invest in Canadian Oil Fields. Great interest has been caused by the Fort Norman strike but when these men find out about the possibilities of the Battle River anticline no doubt many of them will locate here rather than chance the long hazardous trip to the far north. Mr. Coyle is very well impressed with the formation around Irma and states that it corresponds to the formation in certain parts of Texas.

BACK TO IRMA

Three times now Mr. Peterson has moved to the Irma district. Each time he has bought land and improved it and we hope this will be a permanent move. Several years ago he paid the Government \$10.00 for a homestead south-west of town. Later he bought a half section north-west of town this he sold about two years ago moving to Calgary. Now he bought the Weinrich and Harman farm north of Irma. We welcome Mr. Peterson and his family back to our district, and hope some of those who on account of price conditions, and high wages have been thinking of going to the city will think it over with Vernon before they decide.

FOR SALE—Pure bred, White Wyadotte eggs, from extra select hens, \$1.50 per setting of 13. Leave in town if notified.—J. G. Bell, Box 903, Irma Alta.

U.F.A. Moving Pictures this week, good program is being arranged.

Trail Rangers Will Compete

The Canadian Athletic Contest is being held in every part of Canada from Halifax to Vancouver during the same week.

The results of each place are important for wherever they are forwarded to the National Boy's Work Board at Toronto.

The Trail Rangers making the highest score in the Dominion are declared national champions. Those making the highest provincial score win the Provincial Championship and those making the highest district score win the district championship.

The Trail Rangers of Irma will do their best to put Irma on the map on April 23rd and deserve the support of every citizen. This is the first time a group of Irma boys have had a chance of competing, in a National competition in which thousands of boys throughout Canada are taking part. The Trail Rangers of Irma are already known to many parts of the province and if they continue with the Canadian Standard Efficiency Training for the next six years there is every possibility that some of them will be known beyond the limits of their province.

CANADIAN NATIONAL ATHLETIC CONTEST FOR TRAIL RANGERS. will be held at Irma Saturday, April 23rd, at 2 P. M.

- PROGRAM OF EVENTS.**
1. Potato Race.
 2. Three Potato Race.
 3. Running High Jump.
 4. Standing Broad Jump.
 5. Floor Push.

Come and see your boys compete for a District, Provincial and National championship.

A grand concert will be given in the evening in aid of the Irma Trail Rangers. A 50c ticket will admit one to both the afternoon and evening performance.

The next meeting of the W. M. S. will be held in the church on Thursday, April 21st at 8 P. M. As this is the Annual Meeting all members are urged to attend. The mite-boxes will be opened at this meeting.—Mrs. C.G. Hockin, Secretary.

PROGRAM FOR GRAND CONCERT

The program for the Grand Concert on April 23rd under the auspices of the Irma Trail Rangers include many attractive features. The teachers at the various schools at which the Trail Rangers attend are heartily co-operating with the members to make the concert a huge success.

Already there are rumors of seeing Huckleberry Finn and his chums in real action. The people of Irma will be introduced for the first time to the cannibals from Wallawalo, never before seen by man or beast.

Black-faced minstrels will be there with all their negro wit and humor, interspersed with southern melodies and harmonies.

The sensation of the whole program will be the roaring, sparkling, farcical comedy in which three young men propose to the same girl and are all accepted.

They get over the difficulty by well it would spoil the story if we told you so come on the 23rd and see what happens.

50c tickets which are good for both the afternoon and evening may be bought from many of the Trail Rangers from now until the 23rd.

Don't wait till the last minute for the Co-op. Hall is limited in capacity.

OIL LEASERS HAVE STAMPEDE

Another flurry at the Edmonton land office occurred last Friday morning when several applicants jostled for places to file upon two eighty acre tracts in the Birch Lake district, northwest of Irma. The land which had been held under lease for a considerable time, became available for re-entry Thursday. One man waited throughout the night in order to file upon a portion of this property.

Mr. J. N.-C. Seaton has returned from the coast where he and Mrs. Seaton have been spending the winter. Mrs. Seaton is convalescing from an operation and will return as soon as she is able to travel.

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BATTLE RIVER COUNCIL

Councillors of the Municipal District of Battle River No. 423 met in Council room, members present Messrs Fischer, Santee, Hill, Golding, King and McDonald.

Minutes of last meeting were read and on motion of Mr. Hill were accepted as read.

Moved by Mr. Ficer that Mr. Golding and Mr. Santee be a committee to investigate road across Sec. 2-46-7 and Sec. 35-45-7. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Santee that Secretary write Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs for information re opening up a road and as the liability of the Municipality in taking down the fences for said road. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Hill that Mr. King be appointed to investigate damages done to Mr. Williams crop. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Fischer that cheque of John W. Wood for \$1040.57 be endorsed payable to the National Trust Co. Ltd. liquidators of the Wood-Wainwright estate. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Golding that roads be surveyed between Sec's 33 and 34-46-7 and between 3 and 4 and 3 and 10-46-7 and across sections 2-46-7 and 35-45-7. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Hill that Sec. be instructed to write Minister of Public Works asking if it would be possible for a representative of the Dept. to meet the Council on the 7th day of May at Irma in regards to grant to Municipal District for public Work. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Hill that roads be surveyed between Sec. 31-44-8 and the Buffalo Park and continued west to bridge on Battle River on Sec. 20-48-8 and from south corner of Sec's 15 and 16 through section 9-45-8 to Hawkins siding. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Santee that the following accounts be passed and paid.

R. J. Tate	\$20.45
Viking News	3.00
Farmers Mutual Lbr Co.	5.95
Irma Times	57.50
J. W. Walker	28.80
Wm. Santee	2.50
C. T. Hill	3.25
Carried	

Moved by Mr. Santee that the wages for 1921 be as follows: Man and team 70c per hour, Man 40c per hour, and foremen 60 c per hour. Cd.

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Love of The Wild

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(Continued)

Then the shadows would flicker and the Colonel would creep back to his old place and snore and forget. Sometimes, very late, as he groped his way from the room, his eyes would seek the face of the man who had been his friend. He would speak "Good-night" from the door and the portrait would smile upon him. But many and many nights these questions would arise to trouble him:

Why did they burn my boat? Why should they threaten my life?

And now the first spring rain was falling, whispering a promise of clear trails and open weather. There was the very essence of spring in the soft voice and damp smell. The Colonel sat before the fire thinking of what he would do, and the weather permitted him going forth to show the Bushwhackers just how greatly they had erred. And he intended to show them that he had the law behind him. If they refused to give the incendiary up to justice, then he would get the machinery into motion which would speedily make them. He did not believe for a moment that they would refuse to give over the men who had been in the law. They would know that he, Colonel Halibut, wasted no words, and made no promise he could not fulfill. As for their threats to shoot him on sight, he hoisted the idea as absurd. They might be murderers, but they were not fools. Now would he, as he had first decided to do, take any one else with him when he sought an explanation from and made a demand of the Bushwhackers. To take a bodyguard would lead them to think that he was afraid.

All night long the Colonel sat listening to the rain, and wondering which of the elements had deprived him for three long months. As the night advanced he grew more restless, and only when the tardy day began to dawn did his eyes close in sleep. The old housekeeper found him asleep in his big chair. This was nothing unusual, and she simply replenished the fire noiselessly and slipped out to prepare breakfast. Dick came in, when it was ready, and gently shook his master's arm.

"Breakfast, sir," he apologized; "it's ready, sir."

The Colonel arose and stretched his huge person. Then he went over to the window. Not a single patch of snow was visible. He threw open the door and stepped outside. From the ground arose a smoky haze that tasted of earth and roots, and he breathed it into his lungs with long grateful breaths. He quickly prepared himself for breakfast and napped into the dining-room.

"After you have finished your meal, Dick, put the saddle on bay Tom," he commanded. "Don't ask any questions now. Fact is, I'm going down to have it out with those murderers in Bushwhackers' Place. I'm going alone, but I'm going loaded for trouble. I'll take my pistol and my double barreled rifle. If I don't come back in two days you had better come and look for me."

"Lore!" breathed Dick, starting.

"Where, now, you needn't get scared," laughed the Colonel. "I'm going out now to say good-by to the dogs. Get Tom out as soon as you can."

Halibut walked to the dog-kennels. Yelps and whines besought him as he passed alone, but his head was bowed and he did not call out, as was his fashion, to his friends. Instead, he bent and patted each of those wretched brutes that moaned and rubbed against him, speaking to each in an undertone of forced jollity.

"Sprague, you old beggar, you're glad it's spring, aren't you? Hello, Nell, what are you doing away from your puppies at this time of day? Poor old Jap—come on, old chap. Ha, ha, he's a good-for-nothing old codger, he is."

He walked over to the corner of the yard, the pack following him, and, seating himself on a bench, called the dogs in close beside him.

"Boys," he said, and his voice was not quite steady, "some people would think me either a fool or a crazy man if they saw me out here saying good-by to you. But some people don't know dogs. I do. We've been good friends, old chap, for years. There, Jap, it's just like you to speak first," as the old dog lifted his head and whined, "but I guess you heard the sentiment of the sentence." The Colonel glanced at him. "For the first time in a long while," he said, "I'm going on a journey without taking any of you along. I wish I didn't have to go, but go I must. If

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I come back well have made a good case together. And if I don't—

"Your order, sir," cried Dick from the gate.

Ten minutes later the Colonel rode the trail once again.

It was just coming noon when he drew rein before Smythe's store at Bridgetown and sent a hullo out into the misty and sweet-smelling fog. The wind blew from the south soft and refreshing. Mr. Smythe opened the door and seeing who his visitor was, came forward with an exclamation of pleasant surprise.

"Heaven be praised, it's the dear Colonel," he cried.

"Well, my friend," came out and greet our dear friend Colonel Halibut. Just please dismount, sir, and I'll stable your horse before him. I'll dismount, but I'll stable my own horse, I guess. I want to be sure that he gets fed. He's got fifteen miles of bush travel before him," greeted the Colonel.

"Watson came forward with outstretched hand.

"How are you, Colonel Halibut?" he said.

"Why, I hardly expected to see you, but just not in the flesh," rejoined the Colonel, ignoring the greeting. "Have you found that six hundred in any of your pockets, I suppose?"

"I have not," he answered sulkily, a slow flush coloring his face. "I don't hope to, either. You know, of course, that the Bushwhackers stole the money."

"So you said in your touching letter," replied the Colonel, "but I expect you to repay it out of it. I'll give you two weeks. Smythe," he asked, turning to that gentleman, "has told me that he's not dead and buried. I understood you to say he was anxious to die and in a fair way of doing it."

"My proposals and God-disposes," said Smythe, grimacing.

"Humph," returned Halibut, "it's too bad the men who tried to dispose of him. Watson didn't make a clean job of it."

"Come into the other part," invited Smythe, "dinner is all ready, sir."

The Colonel sat down to the table, placing his rifle cleverly beside his chair.

"A little liquor?" inquired the host, leaning toward the cupboard.

"Not a drop," replied Halibut, "I'm on a fast."

"Who's smoking?" that rotten Canada-Green tobacco?" he demanded sharply. "I ain't you, is it?" as Watson turned away.

Watson shook his head and glanced at Smythe.

"Man by the name of Jamison was here just before you came," exclaimed Smythe. "He smoked Canada-Green."

"Funny," murmured Halibut, "it seems to be a common trait."

Smythe stamped gently upon the floor.

"What are you dancing about?" asked the Colonel, "don't it strictly against your religious code?"

"A touch of chloroform, my dear Colonel—ghost's trick," my sainted mother used to call it."

"Humph! it must be a ghost smoking that Canada-Green," laughed Halibut.

"If I thought it was," declared Smythe, "I would bid him cease. I would," he cried, raising his voice, "I would command him in the way of the Lord, to stop smoking!"

"Stop smoking!" immediately," Mr. Smythe enforced his command by another thump on the trap-door.

"You must be crazy," grunted the Colonel, "guess I'd better be pushing along."

"Dear Colonel, don't go to Bushwhackers' Place," begged Smythe. "They'll shoot you as sure as you are born."

"They certainly will," confirmed Watson.

The Colonel nodded.

"Let 'em," he grunted, and, picking up his rifle, he passed out followed by the distressed Smythe.

When they had gone Watson lifted the trap-door.

"You idiot," he fumed, "you almost cooked our goose with your stinking Canada-Green tobacco. I'll be mighty glad to see the last of your red head, Amos. No, you mustn't come up yet. Be patient for five minutes longer, then, away you go. And may you not stop until you've crossed the border."

"I'll lose no time, don't you fear," whispered a hoarse voice from the darkness, and Watson let the trap-door fall with a sludder.

CHAPTER XXIX.

Blue Skies and a Cloud.

Had Colonel Halibut known that the Bushwhackers had awaited the melting of the snow, he would not have been so hasty in his departure. As he himself had said, it might have surprised him. And had he known that the Bushwhackers were just as eager to have an explanation from him as he was to have an explanation from the Bushwhackers, he certainly would have been more than puzzled. During the long winter months the boom of the weavers' whistles and the good wives turned the spinning-wheels, the men of the wood-molded

bright leaden bullets and measured black powder into curved horns. When the three-days' rain began Bill Paisley went over to McTavish's and stayed with him until the snows were licked away. All throughout Bushwhackers' Place there surged a wave of unrest; a feeling of apprehension and the people, and they waited for what they felt must soon come. Halibut, so they believed, had threatened to drive them from their rights. But Halibut had a power of which they knew little, but which they were prepared to combat if necessary with their lives. So during the rains that broke the manacles of winter the bushmen came together, strong-armed and clear of eye, strong of purpose and true to the great law that governed them. On one point they had unanimously agreed, and that was, no shot must be fired upon the interlopers until they themselves had opened hostilities. Big McTavish had urged this and was firm in his mandate.

"We'll fight, men," he said, his arm about his wife's shoulder. "We'll fight for our own, even if we be but a handful, but we'll not fire first. Best to be sure than sorry."

Now the men had met together again on what they seemed to feel was the eve of another battle. The word would clear to-morrow and Halibut and his followers would come very soon. So, throughout the night, the soft rain falling and the forest waking beneath the kiss of spring, the Bushwhackers sat speaking in tones before the fire in the big inner room, and the wives sat together discussing the probabilities of the coming conflict.

Big McTavish was for having all remain in their domain until the appearance of the enemy. Bill Paisley thought differently.

"What I advise," he suggested, "is that we send out three men along the trail, and have 'em act as scouts. Let 'em keep to the timber, and when they see Halibut and his men coming, let 'em drop back and give the alarm. We'll know best how to meet 'em when they come."

Declare surprised Paisley.

"I'll go for one," he volunteered.

"And Peeler that I know'll go for another."

"Tun with you," nodded Peeler, and Boy sprang up.

"Let me go," he begged; but the others shook their heads.

"You're needed here," they said, and Paisley drew Boy back into his seat again with him.

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Starting With Only \$15 Capital B.C. Man Has Now Prize Grade of Holstein Cattle.

Many records of remarkable success of settlers in the prairie provinces have been quoted from time to time. Although more recent about the accomplishments of her farmers, British Columbia is not backward in this respect and one story may be quoted as an example of many others.

Some years ago, Alex. Davis started farming with a capital of \$15 and a large amount of determination and industry. In the testimony of the Minister of Agriculture himself, today he possesses the best grade of Holsteins of which there is record anywhere. The champion grade cow of the world is in the herd, with a record of 22,514 pounds of milk and 1,120,066 pounds of butter in 365 days. But even more important than the stock is what Mr. Davis has been producing in the line of grain, etc. His clover averages four tons per acre, and in 1919 he took 79 bushels of wheat to the acre. When it is realized that yields of thirty-five and forty bushels are considered, remarkably satisfactory, the results of good farming methods combined with Western Canada's climate and soil, are made apparent.

Northern Grown Seed

Merchants Realizing the Value of Seed Matured in Northern Latitudes.

Canada is coming to the front as a source of "northern-grown" seed supply for the North American continent. Even English and French seed merchants, as well as American, are realizing the value of seed matured in northern latitudes, consequently are turning to Canada for supplies. Canadian registered seed grain, in particular, is in demand in the United States by virtue of its general superiority in quality and viability, increased yields are usually the result, where it is used in more southerly latitudes.

At important seed exhibitions, Canadian registered seed grain has more than held its own with world competition. For instance: At the Chicago International Show, 1920, fifty-four prizes were awarded Canadian registered seed, in addition to securing special premiums for the best wheat and the best oats at the show.

Saskatchewan Leads Canada in Autos

With seventy-five automobiles to every one thousand of her population, Saskatchewan in this respect leads all Canada. The cars per thousand of population of other provinces are: Alberta, 58; Manitoba, 55; Ontario, 49; British Columbia, 27; New Brunswick, 22; Nova Scotia, 19; Quebec, 15; and Prince Edward Island, 15.

New Air Harbors.

Four new air harbors will be established at St. Laurent, Quebec; Deseronto, Ontario; Armour Heights, Ontario; and at Virden, Manitoba, according to the announcement contained in the current issue of the Canada Gazette. Accommodations for flyers, gasoline, etc., and facilities for repair will be provided at each station.

A pine tree in New Zealand is estimated by scientists to be thirteen hundred years old.

Saskatchewan Grain Growers

Vigorous Campaign Will Be Conducted to Enroll More Farmers in the Association.

A vigorous and comprehensive organization campaign will be carried out by the central executive of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association this summer, under the direction of J. B. Musselwhite, central secretary and managing director.

The membership of the association in 1920 dropped materially below that of 1919, and the purpose of the projected campaign is to restore the membership to its former size and, if possible, to increase it beyond any point it has yet reached.

A special feature of the campaign will be the holding of meetings in the various districts into which the association is divided. An effort will be made to have every local reached by a director or sub-organizer, and also to cover the unorganized districts.

Considerable time will be given by Mr. Musselwhite personally to field work during the drive and he will, if possible, spend a few days with the director of each district attending and addressing meetings. An effort is being made to have every other member of the executive and central board give some definite time to the same work.

Influenza Baffles Search

British Health Minister Says Cause Still Unresolved.

In the report issued by the British Ministry of Health on the epidemic of influenza of 1918-19, it is stated that the cause of the disease is a problem "still unresolved." It is described as the "first intensive study of the great and devastating scourge that swept Europe and Asia and, during the space of a few months, claimed a larger number of victims than fell during the whole of the European war." It is stated that the immediate outlook is not such as to inspire confidence. Other diseases have been brought under control; influenza still eludes us, the Health Minister admits.

A tractor at Harbor Springs took the bit in its teeth, so to speak, and ran away. Perhaps the chauffeur permitted the lines to get under the tail light.—Pontiac Press.

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Bottled with care in silver pans

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No Cake Wasted

In 2, 5, 10, and 20-lb. tins

Gives a wonderfully fresh flavor to every kind of cake, pie and pudding—the last morsel is as moist and digestible as the first. It does lower the cost of baking.

By far the most popular table syrup, for cooking, baking and candy-making.

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Pain's enemy— —I'll say it is!

WHEN you want quick relief from any "stomach" pain, use Sloan's Liniment. It does the job without staining, rubbing, bandaging. Use it for rheumatism, neuralgia, aches and pains, sprains and strains, backache, sore muscles.

Made in Canada
Keep it handy



World Happenings Briefly Told

Italy's redeemed territories celebrated their formal annexation with great enthusiasm.

Sir Algonwyn West, secretary to Wm. E. Gladstone when the latter was British Prime Minister, has died.

Influenza in epidemic form has broken out among soldiers belonging to the United States occupation army at Coblenz.

Vancouver's population increased by 14,900 last year, making a total population of 123,050, an average of 11.38 persons for each of her 10,810 acres.

R. M. Lewis, of the fourth class of the Ontario Agricultural College, has been appointed an agricultural missionary in the West China University.

About 20 per cent. of U.S. school children are not properly nourished according to Mary G. McCormick, New York state school supervisor of nutrition.

By virtue of the new treaty between Turkey and Russia both parties undertake to recognize no international act relating to one party which is not recognized by the other.

The case of a man's heart ceasing to beat for 14 hours and then resuming work is reported from Berne, Switzerland, where a pastor of that city, after being officially declared dead, suddenly awoke.

The International Secret Service Association was organized at Chicago by representatives of several large detective agencies in the U.S. and Canada. Alfred G. Boake, of Toronto, was elected first vice-president.

Hundreds of medals, decorations and citations, intended for American veterans of the war, but undelivered, are in the hands of the Adjutant-General of the U.S. army, who has appealed to the American Legion to assist in finding their owners.



Pains About the Heart

ANY derangement of the heart's action is alarming. Frequently pains about the heart are caused by the formation of gas arising from indigestion.

Relief from this condition is obtained by the use of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills.

Chronic indigestion results from sluggish liver action, constipation of the bowels and inactive kidneys.

Because Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver pills arouse these organs to activity they afford lasting relief for indigestion and overcome the many annoying symptoms.

**Dr. Chase's
Kidney-Liver Pills**

W. N. U. 1361

"Oral Hygiene" Lay Education Series— "YOUR TEETH"

First Stage of the Decay of the Teeth.

By Rea Proctor McGee, M.D., D.D.S.,
Editor Oral Hygiene.

If your knife and fork, spoon, plate, cup and saucer were left from one meal to another without thorough washing, you would change your boarding house.

But why be so particular about outside matters unless you thoroughly cleanse your own mouth after each meal?

* When food is allowed to pack between and around the teeth caries, or decay as it is commonly called, gets a good start. The packed food decomposes and ferments, this makes the bacteria happy so they all move in.

As the bacteria get settled upon the enameled surface of the teeth, they cover themselves with a coating called a gelatinous plaque. Under this protective covering the bacteria grow unless they are removed by thorough cleansing.

Decay of the teeth, caries, is a disease just the same as tuberculosis or measles is a disease. In this disease the hardest tissue in the body is attacked.

The bacteria of decay are really tiny plants. They live and die as other plants do and when they die, they decompose and ferment, forming an acid. This acid, in its fresh state, will dissolve the enamel of the tooth a very little at a time at first, but the further in the bacteria they get, the more rapidly they work.

The enamel of the teeth is not sensitive. It is composed entirely of the salts of lime, shaped into microscopic rods that are bound together by a natural cement. The rods all point toward the centre, like the bricks in an arch. Enamel is the armor plate of a tooth; when the decay gets through the armor it reaches the ends of the tiny fibres from the nerve that radiate through the body of the tooth.

It is here that you get that first sharp pain that tells there is trouble afoot, trouble that only one person can stop. Don't delay. Your teeth are too valuable.

Industry Enters Educational Area

Utilization of Private Organizations
For Purpose of Mass Education.

Canada, never backward in thought leadership, is setting an example to the world in her utilization of private organizations for the purpose of mass education.

Noteworthy in the new movement is the co-operation of a leading tractor firm with the implement manufacturers in the teaching of the principles of power farming. Lectures on moisture conservation, weed eradication, pure seed, fertilizers, good tillage and the economical use of labor are being given in all rural centres throughout the Dominion. Illustrated by motion pictures of high educational value and delivered by specialists, themselves drawn from farm stock, these schools of agriculture, which are free from the taint of direct advertising, are receiving the encouragement of Federal and Provincial authorities and the direct aid of district representatives and municipalities.

The example thus set may have a far reaching effect on education in general. Principals consider that the day is not far distant when college and school curricula will be supplemented by lectures from experts drawn from all fields of industry.

Staking Oil Claims.

Nineteen oil claims, involving over 6,000 acres of land, have been filed with the recording agent at Fort Smith. Practically the entire area, it is reported, has been staked in the neighborhood of Pine Point, on the south shore of the Great Slave Lake, west of Fort Resolution, and the Little Buffalo River.

Honors Were Even.

A very self-satisfied young man managed to get "into" conversation with a pretty girl during a railway journey, in England. He was very pleased with himself, and when he rose to get out at his destination, he said to the girl, "I have to thank you for making this dull journey a very pleasant one. I'm afraid you wouldn't perhaps have been so nice if you'd known I was a married man." "Oh, as to that," said the girl, "you have no advantage over me. I'm an engaged female."

Less than one-third of the world's population use bread as a daily food.

Women Engineers

Many Branches of Profession For Which Women Are Suitable.

There are many branches of the engineering profession for which women are eminently suitable. Proof of this is to be found in the remarkable success of Miss Griff, the first woman to become an associate member of the Institute of Automobile Engineers of Great Britain. Starting as a motor engineer, Miss Griff ultimately acquired such a knowledge of lighting installation, pumping plants, gas and oil engines, from machinery, plow and tractors, that she was able to establish herself as a successful consulting engineer. In England other pioneer women engineers are engaged in electrical engineering, civil engineering, draughtsmanship, patent office work, and the mechanical side of X-ray work.

If Tormented With Corns Use Good Old "Putnam's"

It's really a simple thing to remove your corns, and without pain, if you apply Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor. It acts like magic, lifts out the corn, root and branch, leaves the skin smooth as silk. No failure with "Putnam's," 25c everywhere.

Life would not be so complicated if there were not so many self-appointed leaders who don't know where they are going.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

What One of the Best Known Travellers in Canada Says

"Now I am going to give you an unsolicited testimonial, as they say in the patent medicine advertising. Hereafter I have had a profound contempt for patent medicines, particularly so-called liniments. Perhaps this is due to the reason that I have been blessed with a sturdy constitution, and have never been ill a day in my life. One day last fall after a hard day's tramp in the snows of Montreal, I developed a severe pain in my leg and, of course, like a man who has never had anything wrong with him physically, I complained rather hysterically. The little wife said: 'I will rub them with some liniment I have.' 'Go ahead,' I said, 'to honor her.' 'Well, the countess with some of MINARD'S LINIMENT and gets busy. Before the pain disappeared a few minutes after, and you can tell the world I said so.' (Signed) FRANK E. JOHNS, Montreal.

Easy to Get and Safe to Use.
Cold water and flour mixed will at once relieve the pain caused by burns.

Trick Cured in 30 Minutes.
Tech. Man, and all contagious scratches on human or animal, cured in 30 minutes by Willson's Sanitary Lotion. At Drugstore.

Big Steel Plant for Coast.

Establishment of a large steel plant on the coast probably will be begun early in the summer, according to J. H. Falconer, president of the British Columbia Manufacturers' Association. He states that five representatives of the largest steel operators in the world had looked over the ground and returned to England to report.

The Many-Purpose Oil.—Both in the house and stable there are scores of uses for Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Use it for cuts, bruises, burns, scalds, the pains of rheumatism and sciatica, sore throat and chest. Horses are liable very largely to similar ailments and mishaps as afflict mankind, and are equally amenable to the healing influence of this fine old remedy which has made thousands of firm friends during the past fifty years.

"Trans-Canada" Lim'ed To Commence May 22

Fast Schedule Which Has Proved So Popular Will Be Maintained This Year.

The "Trans-Canada" service will be inaugurated on Sunday, May 22nd, when the summer timetable becomes effective, the first trains leaving Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver on that day.

The "Trans-Canada" Limited will be an exclusive sleeping car train with all steel equipment, which has been specially designed and built for this service at the Company's Angus Shops, Montreal, and mark the highest degree of excellence and travel comfort.

The fast schedule which proved so popular with the travelling public last summer will be maintained this year. Trains 13 and 14 "Soo-Pacific Express," will commence operation between St. Paul and Vancouver effective Sunday, June 5th. This will make four trains which the Canadian Pacific will operate to and from the Coast daily during the summer months.

Japan Ordering Airplanes.

Japan is placing large orders for airplanes and airplane parts with English firms, preliminary to governmental development of commercial aviation on a large scale there. Sea-planes are included in the orders and the representatives of a Japanese of land and coast air-ports connecting all the large Japanese cities.

Minard's Liniment Relieves Dandruff

The Liver Is the Road to Health

If the liver is right the whole system is better off. Carter's Little Liver Pills awaken your sluggish, clogged-up liver and relieve constipation, stomach trouble, indigestion, loss of appetite, dizziness, headache and nervousness. Purely vegetable. You need them. Small Pill—Small Dose—Small Price.

A Frock of Cotton Homespun



By Marie Belmont.

Cotton homespun is a delightful shade of green is the material chosen for the fashioning of this attractive dress for the early days of spring. It shows the long-waisted effect that is so much in style. The skirt is divided into several panels that partly conceal the straight underskirt. These are ornamented with openwork roses that are played with pink tulle. The Bustle Brown collar is set off by a pink silk tie. The sleeves are long and wide-mouthed. This feature is accentuated by the slash that extends almost to the elbow. Decorative motifs enhance their appearance.

Lumbering in B.C.

One thousand and thirteen plants engaged in the lumber industry in the province of British Columbia during the year 1920 employed 25,797 persons with wages totalling \$31,474,573, according to statistics compiled by the Provincial Department of Industries. The average daily wage of pay in 1920 in sawmills was \$4.42; in logging operations \$5.25; in planning mills and woodworking plants \$3.46.

Jews May Have Mercantile Marine.

It is possible that in the near future the Jews will possess their own mercantile marine. The first ship to fly the blue and white flag of Zion was the "Heolnitz," which sailed from Jaffa recently. She was owned and manned by Jews.

COULDN'T DO HOUSEWORK

HEART SO BAD

Many women become run down and worn out by their household cares and duties never ending and sooner or later find themselves with weak hearts and shattered nerves.

When the heart becomes weak and the nerves unstrung, it is impossible for a woman to look after her household or social duties. The last line of exertion or excitement leaves her in an exhausted condition, and not fit to do anything.

On the first sign of any weakness of the heart or nerves, you will be wise if you take a course of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills. Mrs. Daniel Beaman, Loganville, N.S., writes: "As I was troubled with a weak heart for nearly two years I am writing to tell you what your great remedy, Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, has done for me."

My heart was so bad at night I could not sleep. I would take small doses of the pills, and I was so weak I could not do my housework. I tried two doctors, but got no results. A friend advised me to try Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills. I have used six boxes, and I am completely relieved. I think they are the best medicine for heart trouble there is."

Price 50c per box at all dealers or mailed direct on receipt of price by The Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

Cost of the British Monarchy

British Monarchs Receive Through Parliament Whatever Amount Nation Cares to Vote Them.

No country gets its Emperor, King or President at a more economical cost than does Great Britain, or to speak more correctly the British Empire. Its monarch during the centuries had acquired by hereditary rights, by inter-marriages and by Acts of Parliament vast fortunes and immense incomes. William IV. of his own free will gave up all these rights and incomes, and accepted instead a greatly smaller sum to be voted by Parliament. Queen Victoria, King Edward and King George did the same, and now receive just what their people, through Parliament, care to vote them. The country receives from the sums ceded very much more than it pays. So that the Empire is actually making money out of its Sovereigns.

Wise mothers who know the virtues of Mother Graves' Worm Expeller, not only have it at hand, because it proves its value.

It is estimated that nine thousand five hundred acres of forest are being cut down every day of the year to supply pulp for paper manufacture.

Increasing Value of Farm Lands.

The value of Canadian farm land is steadily rising, and the average value of occupied land in the Dominion, according to the report of the Bureau of Statistics, was \$48 per acre in 1920 as compared with \$46 in 1919. British Columbia leads with an average of \$175 per acre, the other provinces being Ontario and Quebec, \$70; Prince Edward Island, \$49; Nova Scotia, \$43; Manitoba, \$39; New Brunswick, \$33; Saskatchewan and Alberta, \$32.

GLAD HE TRIED THE Tonic Treatment

Through Its Use Strength and Vigor Was Restored.

To be tired after exertion is natural. Rest and food restore the body to normal after such fatigue. But to be tired all the time is a symptom of an anæmic condition that will not be corrected until the blood is built up. Such an anæmic condition is so gradual in its approach and generally so lacking in acute pains that it is often difficult to persuade the sufferer to do anything for it. But it is a serious condition that will not cure itself. If the blood is not enriched the trouble will increase. The nerves will be demoralized, and neuralgia pains, nervous depression, and other disturbances often result from this blood, sleep is disturbed and a general breakdown may occur.

Mr. Wilson Johnson, Seneval, N.S., says: "A few years ago, my system was in a badly run down condition. I was nervous, shaky, and on edge, and I found myself so weak that I could hardly do any work. I suffered from headaches and from pains in the back and under the shoulders, and was often so sleepless at night that when morning came I felt as tired as when I went to bed. I was taking medicine all the time but it was doing me no good. Then I read the testimonial of a man whose condition had been so bad that he was unable to work. I decided to give this medicine a fair trial, and when I had taken six boxes, I felt much better. I continued taking the pills until I had taken six more boxes, and I can only say I am glad I did so, as I am now enjoying the best of health, and I advise all men who feel run down to give these pills a good trial."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills can be obtained from any dealer in medicine, or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Dairying in Alberta

Edmonton the Largest Creamery Butter Manufacturing Centre in Canada.

There are unlimited opportunities for engaging in dairy farming in the prairie provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. The production of creamery butter has increased from 14,000,000 pounds in 1915 to about 27,000,000 pounds in 1919. The city of Edmonton, Alberta, is the largest creamery butter manufacturing centre in Canada. All the provinces have well organized dairy departments which give every possible assistance to the industry, and as a result of their efforts the manufacture of butter has been standardized to a high degree.

When Holloway's Corn Remover is applied to a corn it kills the root and the callosity comes out without injury to the flesh.

To Offer Rich Fruit Lands.

It is announced that the British Columbia Government will put 22,000 acres of land in the irrigated district at Okanagan Valley, one of the richest fruit growing areas in the world, on the market early in the spring.

Minard's Liniment Relieves Neuralgia



Cuticura Shampoo Mean Healthy Hair

Especially if preceded by touches of Cuticura Ointment to spots of dandruff, itching and irritation. This treatment does much to keep the hair clean and healthy and to promote hair growth.

Soap 25c, Ointment 25c and 50c. Taken 15c. Sold throughout the Dominion. Canadian Depot: Leves, Limited, 24 St. Paul St., Montreal. Cuticura Soap shaves without razor.

B.C. Mining Developments.

Important mining developments in British Columbia are forecasted by the Hon. William Sloan, Minister of Mines, in the announcement that the Canadian Pacific Railway will immediately commence a thorough survey of 2,000,000 acres of mineral bearing lands which it owns on Vancouver Island. It is intended to develop coal discoveries, and probably this will be followed by the establishment of a smelter on Vancouver Island.

Million Fire Loss in Alberta.

Complete returns of fires and fire losses for the year throughout Alberta show that 870 fires did damage amounting to \$1,054,191.

A Remedy for Earache.—To have the earache is to endure torture. The ear is a delicate organ and few care to deal with it, considering it work for a doctor. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil offers a simple remedy. A few drops upon a piece of lint or medicated cotton and placed in the ear will do much in relieving pain.

The signature of William Shakespeare written on the wall of Hampton Court Palace, and dated 1606, has been pronounced authentic.

"Cold in the Head"

is an acute attack of Nasal Catarrh. Persons who are subject to frequent "colds in the head" will find that use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will build up the system, cleanse the blood, and render them less liable to colds. Repeated attacks of Nasal Catarrh are a danger to the system. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is taken internally and acts through the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. All Druggists 75c. Testimonials free. Look for the name of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE on any case of catarrh that HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will not cure. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

Eagles have been known to fly to a height of 6,000 feet. A hawk will rise to the same height, and so will crows. As a rule, it is said, birds do not fly at a greater height than 1,000 feet.

Miller's Worm Powders will not only expel worms from the system but will induce healthful conditions of the system, under which worms can no longer thrive. Worms keep a child in a continual state of restlessness and pain, and there can be no comfort for the little one until the cause of suffering be removed, which can be easily done by the use of these powders, which are very effective.

There are 12,004,325 telephone subscribers in the United States, giving an average of one telephone to about 10 persons.

LIFE WAS A MISERY TO HER

Says this Woman Until Relieved by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Owen Sound, Ont.—"I suffered for ten years with female organic trouble, nervousness, neuralgia and indigestion, and was weak and had such bad pains I could hardly walk or stand up at times. When I would awake I would have to go to bed, and I could not sleep at night, and would wander around the house half the time. I tried everything but nothing did me any good, and the last doctor I had told me he never expected me to be on my feet again or able to do a day's work. One day one of your little books was left at my door and my husband said I should try a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I thank God I did, for it relieved me, and I am now well and strong. I think there is no remedy like the Vegetable Compound for anyone who has my troubles, and have recommended it to my neighbors. You can publish my letter for the benefit of those I can't reach."

Mrs. HENRY A. MERRILL, 1767 7th Ave., Owen Sound, Ont.

If you have any symptom about which you would like to know write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for helpful advice given free of charge.

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No. 1	1.40
No. 2	1.37
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OATS	
2 CW	.23
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No. 2	1.15
Rejected	1.10
BARLEY	
No. 3	.48
No. 4	.40
No. 5	.37
FLAX	
No. 1	1.45
No. 2	1.40
STOCK	
Cows	3 to 6c
Steers	12c
Hogs	12c
PRODUCE	
Butter	40c
Eggs	2c
Sugar	14c
Flour	6.20
Potatoes	50

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A Cattle branded OL (half circle under
LOVE), IRMA. Kindly notify and they
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STRAYED—to 16.46-8-4 one 2 year
old red steer stub horn on left side no
visible brand, weight about 900 or
1000 lbs.
50-2c F. J. Yonker, Irma

FOR SALE—Pure Red Bobs from
Seager Wheeler stock, cleaned, per
bushel \$4.00. This matured in 90 days
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Kitchener Wheat, this is a large-
berried wheat and a heavy yielder,
matures same time as Marquis. Some
heads have over 70 grains. Cleaned
\$2.50 per bushel.

I will deliver orders in Irma. Bags
extra, 25c.

T. PAUL RICHMOND,
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FOR SALE—very good grade
Aberdeen Angus Bull, rising one yr;
rugged and growthy, will make good
sire. Price right—G. A. Sisson & co.
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Cobbler and WeeMcGregor—Jas.
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Plow. Also Bicycle, almost new.—Ap-
Cheap, Apply 18-46-8 S. W. Mrs. R.
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Leave your laundry at—
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Remember now is the time to get
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Wyatt has several Grain Cleaners that
he will sell on terms until next fall
and you had better see him and get
one. 4t

FOR SALE—Western Rye Grass
Seed, Manchurian Seed Barley; 85
young sheep; Improved farm 110
acres broken, cheap.—Jared E. Brown,
Phone and P. O. Cummings, Alta. S. E.
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WANTED—to buy two or three
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toms. State lowest cash price to Box
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tatoes.—P. Sellstad, 16-46-9, Irma.
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WHY BUY SCRUBS—1, 4 yr old
gracious Garriford Marquis, weighs
about 2200 lbs, red \$150.00; 2 year-
lings, good stocky youngsters, red,
also a few good cows and heifers.
Prices right.—H. Lyster, NW4-47-
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TENDERS FOR VAN DRIVER

SEALED TENDERS will be received
by the Board of Trustees of Avon-
glen S. D. No. 3975 at the office of
the Sec-Treas. up to noon April 26th
1921 for a Van Driver with team to
convey the pupils of the above District
to another school. Distance not to ex-
ceed 16 miles per day. Duties to be
done on the 2nd day of May 1921. Agree-
ment to terminate on the last teach-
ing day in December 1921 or until
such time as the Avonglen School
house will be ready for use.

Other information required may be
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The lowest or any tender not neces-
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Signed
P. O. Irma, Alta.

Dated this 7th day of April, A. D.
1921

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April 23rd, 1921 for the position of
Secretary-Treasurer for Viking Municipal
Hospital.

Please state annual salary expected.
Sealed tenders will also be received
up to the same time by secretary for
boring of a well with three inch hole.
Tenders to include all casings but
not pump. The lowest or any tender
not necessarily accepted.

Dated at Viking, Alberta April 9th,
1921.

C. G. Purvis, Secretary. 43-4

VIKING CONSUMERS' GAS COMPANY SEEKS LOCAL FRANCHISE

An offer involving the transfer of
gas franchise rights in Edmonton has
been made to a new concern to be
known as the Consumers' Gas Co. by
President E. Coste of the Northern
Alberta firm, according to a com-
munication from Collier Bros. of Wil-
king, to the City Council. The offer
stands for thirty days and may be
withdrawn on five days' notice, from
then on.

Negotiations between Collier Bros.
and the recent franchise holders have
resulted in Mr. Coste agreeing to sell
gas to the new company at a rate of
fifteen cents per 1,000 c. ft. at the
field.

Transfer, all Privileges

This agreement would stand for
five years and would provide that the
new concern would take at least sev-
enty-five per cent of the amount of
gas consumed in Edmonton from the
present franchise holders. On this un-
derstanding the old company would
transfer all its franchise privileges.

H. B. Collier and Wesley H. Collier
who are engaged in the auto and ma-
chinery business at Viking and have
extensive gas holdings in that district
are proposing the new arrangements
to the Council. They state that the
provincial board of directors of the
new company would be composed of
the foremost business and profession-
al men in the city.

Largely at the suggestion of Mayor
Duggan, they state they obtained the
offer from the old gas company so as
to clear the slate.

Can Secure Capital

The Collier people state that if the
terms of an agreement with council
are made just and fair so that the
company can in good faith present a
sound business proposition to invest-
ors, the necessary capital can be read-
ily secured. Frank Ford K. C., has
been retained as solicitor for the com-
pany.

In their memorandum, Collier Bros.
state that they own or have under
leases or options sufficient gas rights
in the Viking field to drill over 100
wells, no two of which would be under
one-tenth of a mile apart. They are
surrounding and amongst the present
nine wells of the Northern Alberta
company.

It is proposed to form a company
modelled to a large extent on the
lines of the Consumers' Gas Company,
of Toronto. In that concern the divid-
end paid shareholders is fixed at ten
per cent, and is a first charge on net
earnings. There are also provisions for
renewal, plant and reserve funds,
which are limited.

Large Initial Outlay

To drill the necessary wells in the
gas field, build a pipe line to Edmon-
ton and give efficient service will re-
quire an outlay of \$3,000,000 it is es-
timated. Some of this would be secured
in Edmonton but the greater amount
would come from investors in
Eastern Canada and the United States.

The price for gas for the first two
or three years would be determined by
estimates and expert advice, but after
that the auditors report should deter-
mine it year by year.

CALLING FOR TENDERS
FOR VIKING HOSPITAL

A meeting of the Viking hospital
board was held last Friday which
attended by every member of the
board. Mr. Jeffers, provincial archi-
tect was down from Edmonton and
together with the board went over the
some alterations in the final plans
before being accepted.

The Hospital Board is now calling
for tenders for the building, excava-
tion, lighting, heating, well, and posi-
tion of Secretary-Treasurer of the
Tenders must be in by April 23rd, af-
ter which it is expected the actual
work of getting the hospital under-
way will commence if satisfactory
tenders are submitted.

Final arrangements have also been
made for the site which will be on a
two-acre plot on the Iverson estate
just north of town, facing the town.
It is an ideal location for the hospital
and the building will no doubt ac-
commodate the needs of the town.
It is very likely that a board walk
will have to be constructed from the
end of the side-walk on Fourth Ave.
and Main Street to the hospital site
for the use of pedestrians, and the
street graded up again and put in the
very best of shape.

H. E. Gares and Steve Swift are
at the Edmonton Spring Stock show
this week with some good stuff raised
in this district. Two particularly fine
steers, yearlings were in the lot that
tipped the scales at 1100 pounds each.
These will be shown in the baby beef
class, and are sure to get into the
prize money. The animals were well
finished and plainly showed what care
and attention and proper feed will
do for cattle.

ALBERTA FAIR DATES.

Medicine Hat—June 27-28-29.
Calgary—July 29 to July 7.
Edmonton—July 8 to July 16.
Red Deer—July 18-19-20.
Camrose—July 25-26-27.
Lloydminster—July 25-26-27.
Sibbald—August 1.
Richdale—August 2.
Oyen—August 2-3.
Cenook—August 4-5.
Youngstown—August 8-9.
Hanna—August 9-10.
Highland (Della)—August 11.
Big Valley—August 12-13.
Munson—August 15.
Pridgett & Millerville—July 27.
Vulcan—July 28.
Carmangay—July 29-30.
Granum—August 1-2.
MacLeod—August 3-4.
Stavelay—August 5.
Clareholm—August 9-10.
Langdon—August 10.
Glasgow—August 11.
High River—August 11-12.
Okotoks—August 16-17.
Nanton—August 18-19.
Bentley—July 29-27.
Crossfield—July 25-26.
Olds—July 27-28.
Innisfail—July 29-30.
Wetaskiwin—August 1-3.
Goose Creek—August 3.
Daysland—August 4-5.
Sedgewick—August 8-10.
Leduc—August 9.
Strome-Killam—August 11-12.
Consort—August 4-5.
Veteran—August 9-10.
Coronation—August 11-12.
Castor—August 15-17.
Stettin—August 18-19.
Lacombe—August 22-24.
Didsbury—August 24-25.
Ponoka—August 25-26.
Alix—August 26-27.
Vermilion—August 1-2.
Manville—August 3.
Juniata—August 4-5.
Vegreville—August 8-9.
Lamont—August 10.
Fort Saskatchewan—August 11-12.
Stony Plain—August 16-17.
Morinville—August 18.
Kitscoty—August 19.
Lethbridge—July 20-21-22.
Taber—July 25-27.
Winnifred—July 28-29.
Retlaw—August 2-3.
Lomond—August 5.
Magrath—August 9-10.
Raymond—August 11-12.
Cardston—August 16-17.
Ryegum—August 18-19.
Bashaw—August 1.
Swallow—August 4-5.
Three Hills—August 8-9.
Trochu—August 10-11.
Edgerton—August 2.
Wainwright—August 3.
Chapman—August 5.
Provost—August 6.
Holden—August 15.
Viking—August 16-17.
IRMA—August 18-19.
Warburg—September 5.
Elk Point—September 8-9.
St. Paul—Sept. 12.
Bow Valley—Sept. 9.
Tofield—Sept. 15.
Bowden—Sept. 29.
Cochrane—Sept. 29-30.
Athabasca—Sept. 12-13.
Colinton—Sept. 14.
Edson—Sept. 16.
Redwan—August 31.

DEATH OF MRS. CONGER

The death of Mrs. Edwin D. Conger
of Phillips, Alta, took place at an Ed-
monton hospital on Friday morning,
April 8th, following an operation. The
body was shipped to Phillips on Sat-
urday and interment took place at
Phillips on Sunday afternoon.

Rev. Mr. Wheeler of the Viking
Community Church preached the fun-
eral sermon which touched the
hearts of all the great many friends
and relatives of the deceased who
came to pay their last respects to the
departed mother and wife.

The late Mrs. Conger was 36 years
of age at the time of her death and
is survived by her husband and five
children. She was loved by all who
knew her and her sudden passing
away right in the prime of life has
much sympathy goes out to the be-
loved husband, children and relatives.

QUESTION NO. 4 Mr. BLAIR.

(...Answered in House of Commons,
March 30th, 1921.)
1. How many telegrams, letters, peti-
tions and resolutions did the Govern-
ment receive from Manitoba, Sask-
atchewan and Alberta between Aug-
ust 1st, 1919, and January 1st, 1920?
(a) Approving of the Canada Wheat
Board?

(b) Disapproving of the Canada
Wheat Board?

2. How many telegrams, letters, peti-
tions and resolutions did the Govern-
ment receive from Manitoba, Sask-
atchewan and Alberta between Aug-
ust 1st, 1920, and January 1st, 1921?
(a) Approving of the Canada Wheat
Board?

Answer:

1. (a) Nil.

(b) 26.

2. (a) 141.

(b) Nil.

Do not forget the sale of Stray
Horses and Cattle at the Irma Stock
yards on Saturday, the 16th at 2 P.M.

Rumors are that a train will be
run from Wainwright after May 1st,
leaving that place in the morning for
Edmonton and returning in the even-
ing. This is the service that the people
along this line have been looking for
for a long time. Here's hoping the
rumor is true.

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Premier Of France Believes That Germany Will Discover Resources

Premier, Briand, replying to interpretations in the French Chamber of Deputies regarding the London reparations conference, said that if the allies remain firm and united, the Germans will discover that they (the Germans) have astonishing resources. Germany had been vanquished, he declared, but, unfortunately psychologically this was insufficiently apparent to the German people.

M. Briand told the Chamber he went to the London conference bound to maintain the reparations figures arrived at in Paris, but ready to make concessions regarding the methods of payment.

"I frankly told our allies there was a wall against which we were backed," he declared. "The military penalties, the Premier said, had to be effective although ineffective. Regarding security, he asserts: 'I might say the allied guns are trained on Essen and we control the movement of the greatest part of the Ruhr coal.'"

Premier Briand continued: "Today it is a begging Germany, disputing foot by foot, and trying to arouse the neutral countries by bought newspapers. But the day we let ourselves be persuaded and seem to abandon our efforts, then that day one will see another Germany, one all ready to attempt in the economic domain the imperialist conquests she failed to achieve in the military domain."

Speaking of Germany's ability to pay, M. Briand declared: "Germany had no foreign debt. Her taxes are lighter than ours and her economic situation is better. The German budget has been erected with apparent dissimulation. Germany said at Spa that she could not deliver 800,000 tons of coal, but menaced with a penalty, she delivered nearly 2,000,000."

"At London Germany declared she could not exceed the payment of a billion marks yearly. In five days, however, by an ultimatum, the Germans discovered resources and agreed to pay during five years, the most difficult term, the figures of the Paris agreement. We have a right to be suspicious and say there are resources in Germany."

"Germany's position is that of a debtor and not of a merchant who pays out his profits. She owes her debt out of her entire assets. We have a right to tell her great feudal lords of industry, finance and agriculture 'it is all your assets that you are liable for payment of your debt. You have mines, forests and railroads. You have factories so prosperous that their scandalous profits no longer are published. You should mobilize them for the payment of your debt.'"

"Our soldiers are at Dusseldorf, Duisburg and Ruhrort with cannon trained on Essen to show them something," the Premier exclaimed. His words were almost drowned in the applause.

He gave the British Prime Minister credit for being the first to reject the German proposals, and paid him tribute as "the sincere friend of France."

Regarding the duration of the occupation of the new territories, M. Briand declared the soldiers would remain where they were until the questions of reparations, disarmament and the trial of the accused German officers were definitely settled.

Starch And Its Uses.

Apart from its laundry uses and substitute for paste, powdered starch is a good silver polish, and it is far superior to breadcrumbs, dough and such like for cleaning gilded wall-paper. Powdered finely and gently rubbed over the walls with a clean, soft duster or an old muslin curtain, it will remove even those annoying stains caused by the grease in bricks. A lump of starch dissolved in water for cleaning windows is more effective than whitening. Boiled starch may be washed over newly-cleaned linoleum and allowed to dry. This will form a skin and if the linoleum is to be polished a very small quantity of polish need be used.

And Oh, the Difference.

Dora—How is your new photograph in the office working?
Flora—It would be all right if it could agree on records, but the boss always puts on "Work for the Night is Coming," while the employees all prefer "Home Sweet Home"—Cartoons Magazine.

If you have a half hour to spend don't spend it with some one who hasn't—Columbia (S.C.) Record.

Body of Unknown Soldier Cannot be Identified

Remains Were Chosen From Hundreds of Thousands of the Killed.

There is not the slightest possibility that the remains of the Empire's unknown soldier, now resting in Westminster Abbey, will ever be identified. Captain the Rev. M. Mullineux, M.C., made this very clear when he explained to newspapermen recently how the soldier was chosen from the hundreds of thousands of unknowns who gave life for the cause.

Wise precautions were taken in this direction, the consequence is that any mother or wife whose son or husband was numbered among the unknown dead on the battlefields of any of the fighting fronts may cherish the hope that the ashes of her hero rest beside those of England's honored dead to be a subject of reverence and respect for generations yet unborn.

Captain Mullineux is a member of the directors of the Graves Registration and Enquiries Board, whose function is to check the graves of soldiers. It was created by the war department of the Imperial Government, and has already done much valuable work. Captain Mullineux is also the agent of the Canadian and New Zealand Red Cross Society entrusted with the duty of assisting relatives of deceased soldiers to locate the bodies of their dead.

The selection of the unknown soldier whose body now rests in Westminster was made from a number of bodies of unknowns, one taken from each fighting front. These were assembled at a central spot in France and confined, the coffins being identical in appearance. From the eight or nine bodies so chosen the director selected the unknown soldier. Another selection committee then picked one from the three, and this was taken to Paris and finally formed the central figure of London's mournful but impressive pageant. Captain Mullineux was present at the ceremony of interment in the Abbey and describes it as unforgettable.

Shipping and Shipbuilding In British Columbia

Vancouver is Now Linked With the Orient by Ten Lines of Steamships.

During the last year there has been a satisfactory increase of the shipping of the port of Vancouver. Several new lines of transportation have now been established, and Vancouver is now linked with the Orient by ten lines of steamships, with Europe (via the Panama) by nine lines, with Australia by two, with British India and the East Indies by two. The total number of vessels visiting this port during 1920 was 11,489 coastwise with a gross tonnage of 7,397,000, 336 deep sea vessels with a gross tonnage of 1,884,000, making a grand total of 11,828 vessels, with 9,281,000 tons. More than 300,000 passengers landed, and 293,624 embarked from Vancouver.

The shipbuilding industry has not been in the same healthy condition, however, as it was during the 1917-1919 period. This is partly as a result of the termination of the war, which brought back to the regular channels of trade much tonnage which was previously employed by government. "I am confident, however," declares the president of the board of trade, "that if British Columbia is successful in her efforts to secure a steel plant she will be very favorably placed as regards the building of steel vessels."

Enormous difficulties have had to be overcome by the local shipbuilding plants as it is necessary to bring steel many thousands of miles to enable them to construct their vessels. With a steel plant operating somewhere on the Pacific coast this difficulty would be overcome.

Automobile Weighs But 155 Pounds.

An automobile now being put on the market by a London firm weighs but 155 pounds. Its chassis is made of plywood, the same as is used in building aeroplanes, where every ounce counts. For this car it is claimed it may be carried on the owner's back without fatigue; it can be stored in the hall at home without inconvenience, and it can even run over an intruding pedestrian without the least injury.

The thumb is stronger than all the fingers put together.

Receives New Appointment



Hon. W. F. A. Targoon, Attorney-General of Saskatchewan, who has been appointed to the Appeal Court in succession to Mr. Justice Newlands.

Experiments In Stock Raising

Tests to Determine Possibility of Converting Cheap Feeds Into Marketable Beef.

Although the cultivation of sunflowers as a silage crop has only been taken up within the last one or two years, the extraordinarily heavy yields of this new fodder crop and its high feeding value, have created an interest that threatens to place a sunflower patch on every dairy and stock farm on the prairies.

Consequently a series of experiments conducted by the Animal Husbandry Department of the University of Alberta to determine the comparative feeding values of the various silage and feeding crops are attracting considerable attention. The feeding tests commenced in November last and will be continued until the end of March.

The objects of these experiments are: First to determine the possibility of profitably converting the cheap feeds of this country into marketable beef, rather than attempting to ship both the feed and the cattle to other parts of Canada or to other countries for the finishing purposes; second, to compare a full feed of silage and grain with a full feed of prairie hay and grain; third, to find out which of the silage crops common to this section can be most profitably used for this purpose; fourth, to compare light, medium and heavy grain ration with each silage under consideration; and fifth to determine the type of steer that can be most profitably fed.

For this purpose sixty two-year-old steers were purchased last fall, twenty of which would be classed as poor type feeders, twenty of medium grade and twenty good type. These sixty steers were then divided into ten lots, each lot comprised two of each type of feeder. Each lot is then fed a different feed, or combination of feeds, varying from sunflower or other silage to grain and prairie hay. Practically every fodder crop that can be grown in the province is being used on one or more lots of cattle.

Such an extensive test as this cannot fail to produce valuable results and the knowledge obtained, when brought to the general attention of farmers and stockmen, is expected to have a very beneficial effect both on the quality of livestock marketed and on the purse of the farmer himself.

Is It a Coincidence?

Some Bold Socialist Experiments in North Dakota.

The nearest approach to Russian Socialism on this continent is in North Dakota, where there have been in recent years some bold socialist experiments—a co-operative stores and marketing, a state banking system for the benefit of farmers, state insurance of various kinds, state flour mills, etc. And now, financial and business conditions in North Dakota more closely resemble those in Soviet Russia than do those anywhere else on this continent. "If it only a coincidence?"—Hamilton Herald.

A Delicate Question.

The goose had been carved and everybody had tasted it. It was excellent. The negro minister, who was the guest of honor, could not restrain his enthusiasm.

"That's fine," a goose as I call it, Brodder Williams," he said to his host. "What did you get such a fine goose?"

"Well, now, pabson," replied the carrier of the goose, exhibiting great dignity and reluctance, "when you preaches a fine good sermon I never axes you what you got it. I hopes you'll show the same consideration."—Punch.

Registration Of Seed Grain

Saskatchewan Field Crops Commissioner Issues Instructions for Those Who Wish to Enter.

An increasing number of Saskatchewan grain growers are indicating a desire to grow registered seed grain of the standard varieties and so become members of the Canadian Seed Growers' Association, according to M. P. Tullis, field crops commissioner of the Department of Agriculture.

"This province has grown or registered during the past three years almost as much grain as the rest of Canada," said Mr. Tullis recently. "The quality of this product is not excelled, as is evidenced by the standing of our wheat, oats and barley at international exhibitions."

The following directions for those who wish to grow seed for registration have been prepared by Mr. Tullis:

(a) To link up with the association in order for grain to be eligible for registration as registered seed the following is required:

(b) The growing crop producing seed seeking registration must have been inspected and approved by a duly authorized representative of the association, and

(c) The harvested seed must be up to standard as regards quality, purity, vitality.

"When evidences of deterioration, degeneration or lack of purity appear in the variety or strain under consideration, a fresh start must be made by:

(a) Securing elite stock seed or registered seed from another grower or institution, or

(b) Selecting a number of typical heads or panicles, to furnish seed for a plot of any size the following year, the crop from which plot, if approved, being entitled to registration as first generation registered seed, or

(c) Securing elite stock seed out of the present variety by means of the separate culture system. The latter plan is often preferred.

"Seed which has complied with all the requirements as set forth above may be duly registered in the records of the association and may receive official recognition in the form of certificates of registration.

"Elite stock seed is the basis or starting point of registered seed. From it registered seed is produced. It represents the highest degree of perfection in seed and consequently special care is required in its production. It is defined as seed which is genetically pure and which is considered of special value for propagation.

"Recognizing the impossibility of guaranteeing absolute purity in seed, the association has accepted and adopted the following standards: 1. Seed which on field, laboratory and sack or bin examination prior to sale has revealed practically no evidence of the presence of any aberrant type or types.

2. Seed which on laboratory and sack or bin examination prior to sale has revealed practically no evidence of the presence of seeds of other cultivated plants.

3. Seed which on field, laboratory and sack or bin examination prior to sale has not revealed the presence of any 'noxious weeds,' as cited in the Seed Control Act.

"Any further information regarding the details of producing elite stock seed or of protecting registered seed to start with may be had by writing L. H. Newman, secretary C.S.G.A., 144 Victoria street, Ottawa. Application forms to signify a desire to join the association may also be obtained from that address."

New Idea in Typewriting

Typewriter Sets to Full Line of Type Before Printing.

An entirely new idea in typewriter construction is embodied in the invention of an attorney who was formerly a court reporter. Like a linotype machine, the new instrument, which is described with illustration in the April Popular Mechanics Magazine, sets up a whole line of type before printing. The impression is made directly from the inked type, without a ribbon, and the operation is practically silent. For a 35-letter line, there are 35 perpendicular rows of keys, each containing 40 characters, making a keyboard 28 by 10 in. The operator works from left to right, depressing one key in each column about 1-8 in. and sometimes setting whole words with one motion. The line finished, a lever is pulled, which links the type and presses the platen and paper against it, the lever's return returning all parts to normal.

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From the Diary of A Hudson's Bay Clerk in the Seventies

CHASE OF A GRIZZLY BEAR—LOVE PHILTRES.

By O-GE-MAS-ES (Little Clerk).

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(Continued).

To follow up this bear's history, it was a bona fide grizzly all right. It had wandered in from the plains and was killed in a dramatic way shortly afterwards by an Indian named Schni who was paddling in Swan Lake with his young wife, and had been chasing a loon, so had his old flint gun loaded with ball. The day was very hot and the Indian's wife was thirsty. Close to them and a few yards in from shore was a beautiful spring of ice good water which formed a deep pool. Taking the gun and a birch bark Rogan for the water, they made for the spring, and just as the Indian stooped down to fill the vessel he noted a reflection of a bear in the water, and looking up saw him standing on his hind legs just across the pool. The Indian fired and the bullet went right through his heart. Mr. Grizzly tumbled in the water, and he was such a size that they had to come for help to the post to get him out. I traded the skin, which was covered with scars, and being out of season was only fit for coat coverings. It was the largest hide I had ever seen, and I secured his claws and sent them east to my father.

To return to Ba'tese, we boiled our kettle and had a good dinner on the site of the bear episode. He would look at me curiously at times and mutter, "He must be a little mad." "No Ba'tese," but my father's people were Irish, and we let it go at that. Late in the evening we reached our canoe and an hour's paddle took us to Ba'tese's cabin, where his wife (a very superior woman) kindly rigged me out in some dry clothes.

Next morning I sailed up with him and the wind being fair, sailed home. My sail was an oddity—a seamless sack split down the centre with a light yard top and bottom, quite big enough for my small and cranky craft in a wind.

On reaching the post I found a number of women and children all feasting in the kitchen. This was strictly against the rules of the company, so I turned them out and rounded on Murdo, saying, "Is this the way you look after things in my absence?" His excuse was a queer one for these days. O-que-we-se, an Indian widow, by no means a fascinating person, had bewitched him, and whatever she told him to do, that he had to do. I swore at his folly, told him to buck up and be a man and next time the lady called to try her games, kick her off the premises. He said he would try, in a doubtful sort of tone, but in a few days the same thing occurred, and I decided to send him to headquarters at Fort Ellis for his own good as well as the company's. So, exit Murdo.

Love Philtres.

I had a handsome moose skin jacket trimmed with otter fur, long fringes, and in fact the very latest thing in baggagem. That was getting soiled and I determined to have it washed and re-smoked, and thoroughly made over. Giving it to an old woman (named Mrs. Brass) who did my washing, which included moose skin making and mending, she took it carefully to pieces, and in doing so made a discovery. Sewed firmly in the facing of the coat was a small thin

packet of a silver grey powder, and this she brought to me with a very shocked face, exclaiming: "Look, Oge-mas-ah, what I found in your coat," and shaking her head said, "Some bad girl tried to witch you and make you love her!" I laughed, and said, "Well, she did not succeed, as I am quite fancy free at present and have no sweetheart." There was no sequel to this love philtre, nor did I ever discover who placed the powder in the coat.

Attempt to Poison.

There was a much more serious attempt made on a worthy man's life in the spring at this post. It was just about sugar time and the natives were tapping some ash-maple trees and occasionally bringing me in a little sugar or syrup. We had a large boat shed here, and it was customary to build at least two York boats yearly. On the last ice arrived Mr. Angus McLeod from Manitoba House, an experienced boat builder. He was a very fine fellow, married, with a nice little family, whom he had left at home when I did not wish to put Angus in the ordinary men's house, so had quarters fitted up for him in a small building just outside the gates of the post, where he was quite comfortable, and he at once got busy at the boats.

Some little time elapsed, and in one of my daily visits to the boat-house, I found Angus in low spirits, and on questioning him, found he was being bothered by an Indian woman of middle-age who had entered his house on several occasions in the evening, and would evidently have liked him to pay her attention. He told her to go out, and this she did reluctantly, muttering to herself, and looking, Angus said, very wicked over it. I cheered him up and finally had him laughing over the incident. A day or two later he was walking down to the boat-house together when a little Indian girl approached, handed Angus a small piece of maple sugar and then ran off. Angus turned the sugar over and then handed it to me, saying: "It does not look very tempting." Just then a starved looking Indian dog passed us, and I whistled and chuckled him the sugar. The train-dogs he never stopped to taste it, but swallowed it in a gulp and ran on towards the boat-house. Next morning Angus called at my office with a very grave face and asked me to accompany him. We walked towards the boat-house, and on the other side of it, just in the bush was our dog friend of yesterday, lying dead. Evidently the sugar must have contained a violent poison to have acted so quickly.

Angus was quite upset. He said he knew that squaw would have his life and wanted me to send him home at once, with the boats half finished. This, of course, was out of the question, and I finally decided to take him in my quarters and have him share my mess (though against rules), but it was most vital that the boat be ready for the trip to York at once.

On searching for the woman who had made overtures to him, she could not be found, having left hurriedly, and we all thought from a guilty conscience. It was a happy day for Angus McLeod when, having finished the boats, he left what he called the heathen hole.

Abolish Level Crossings

Time Has Come When the "Level Crossing" Should be Adequately Protected.

According to reports recently made public 326 persons were killed and 644 were injured in Canada, at the intersections of highways and railways, in the five years between 1915 and 1919 inclusive. Most of these fatalities and accidents no doubt were due to carelessness, but it is also true that the toll is largely to be attributed to the deadly "level crossings." The time has come when the "level crossing" should be, if not wholly eliminated, to adequately protected as to reduce to a minimum the possibility of such accidents.—Halifax Echo.

Canada's Timber Wealth.

Canada's 225,000,000 acres of merchantable timber is the second largest asset of her natural resources wealth, and according to the latest statistics she has 75,000,000 cubic feet of merchantable timber, and covers 350,000 square miles. It is estimated that at the present rate of cutting this supply will hold out for 63 years.

It has been found that only one person in fifteen has perfect eyes.

Viscount Grey's Word

War Has Diminished Prestige of Christian Civilization in Non-Christian World.

A better world is desirable and possible, but change of external circumstances will not alone produce a better world.

The national policies of Christian countries have been, and still are, lamentably deficient in the Christian spirit.

The war has immensely diminished the prestige of Christian civilization in the non-Christian world.

You must restore the prestige by showing that great as the calamity has been you are going to have something better, more stable, more moral, more Christian in spirit.—Glasgow Student Conference, Jan. 1921.

San Diego fishermen recently landed in their nets a female of the species called the "basking shark," of which only six are known to have been taken in the whole history of the world's fishing industry.

Asia has more, than half the world's population.

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TENDERS FOR HOSPITAL BUILDING

SEPARATE SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Board of Trustees of the Viking Municipal Board, Viking, Alberta, at the office of the Secretary-Treasurer, up to noon Saturday April 23rd, 1921, for the erection of a brick and frame hospital building, and the following trades, General, Heating and Plumbing, and Electrical Wiring.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the above mentioned office, and may be had from A. M. Jeffers, A. A. A. Registered Architect, Edmonton, on payment of a deposit of \$10 which will be returned on receipt of a bona fide tender with the plans and specifications. A marked cheque for five (5 per cent) per cent of the amount of tender shall accompany same.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

C. G. Purvis, Sec-Treas.
Address, Viking, Alberta.
Date, April 9th, 1921.

Suggestion to Correspondents

Newspaper correspondents to this or any other paper should follow at least two common rules: (1) Write on one side of the paper only. (2) Allow enough space between lines for correction, etc. A good rule to follow is to write in such a way that the account will at least answer these questions: Who, what, when, where, how and sometimes why.

G. F. Albrecht and family of N. E. 10-45-11 West 4th wish to thank their many friends and relatives for the sympathy and condolence shown in their recent bereavement of their youngest son, Clarence, and especially for the many floral tributes, by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Albrecht of Edmonton, Mr. and Mrs. C. Albrecht of Ponoka, Mrs. Anna Waite, of Edmonton, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Jackson of Irma, Mr. and Mrs. H. Koll, Mr. and Mrs. C. Simon, Mr. and Mrs. J. Walker, and the Teacher and Scholars of H.C. Park S. D. No. 1876, also for the service rendered by the Choir of the Norwegian Church and the organist Mrs. R. Martin, and the sermon delivered by Rev. Eakin, of Loughheed, March 24th 1921.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid will be held in the church on April 27th. Please accept this as an invitation to all the ladies in the district to be present as there is much important business to transact. Also election of officers for the coming year. —Mrs. Tripp, Secy.

MINERAL WEALTH OF ALBERTA NOT YET DETERMINED

Professor Allan of Varsity Tells Canadian Club of Natural Resources

OIL PROSPECTS GOOD
Drilling Operations Alone Can Prove Value of Oil Bearing Regions

Prof. Allan's instructive address on the mineral wealth of Alberta was repeated by him before a large and attentive audience of Canadian Club members assembled at a usual luncheon meeting held in the McDonald Wednesday.

That the oil fields of this province had not been sufficiently developed by the drill to actually determine their value and that they would never be actually proven until the drill had been set to work not only in one quarter section but in many and in varied locations, was the statement made again by the speaker.

While Alberta generally affords excellent indications of the presence of oil and while in many instances these indications are exceptionally good, even development already carried on at Fort Norman has not actually determined the existence of a real oil region, said Prof. Allan. He recalled the fact that drilling had only been conducted to a depth below a thousand feet when the discovery of oil at Fort Norman was reported. The speaker considered that at this depth the drill was not even at the horizon of the possible oil bearing basins.

"I could name a dozen wells where drilling has been conducted but where operations have been halted before the actual field could be determined. It is only the drill and actual drilling operations that can fully prove the field. When drilling is carried out completely not only on one but on many quarter sections then we will be proceeding toward obtaining definite information as to the oil wealth of this province and the great distances in the north," the professor declared. Dr. Allan, who was introduced by President Dr. Whitelaw, as an able geologist and a man who was fully conversant with his subject, dealt at length in regard to the general mineral wealth of Alberta and the operations carried on under the mineral research department of the University of Alberta. He regretted the fact that while everything had been done with the facilities at hand, that Alberta at the present time, was offered but little information in regard to her actual wealth in minerals and natural resources. —Bulletin.

Ladies Aid met with Mrs. McGregor on Wednesday. Next meeting in the church.

RED CROSS ORGANIZES FOR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FROM JUNE 5th to 12th

Committee is Appointed to Conduct Campaign in Alberta.

Organization work of the Red Cross "Membership Week" which is to take place from June 5th to 12th, is being actively carried on under the direction of Brig.-Gen. H. F. McDonald, C. M. G., D. S. O. who has accepted the position of campaign director for the province.

The campaign is part of a nation wide effort to secure members for the Canadian Red Cross Society at the usual annual fee, and is not in the nature of a financial appeal. A number of provincial organizations have already been selected among whom are Capt. R. E. Mathews, of Calgary; J. D. Wilson, of Medicine Hat; Major T. W. Law, L. W. Fyles, Major R. H. Assen, of Calgary; and Lt.-Col. W. G. McFarlane, of Edmonton.

The work of the campaign is under the direction of a committee, consisting of:—Present R. C. Bennett, K. C., Mrs. C. B. Wanger, Hon. Treasurer H. Howard, Calgary, C. R. Latimer, J. A. Irvine, Dr. G. D. Stanley, Capt. W. M. Beatty, Norman Hindley, Dr. G. W. Kerby and Dr. A. O. MacRae, Calgary; W. Huckle, Medicine Hat; S. S. Dunham, Lethbridge; Lieut. Y. Weaver, Edmonton; Ex-Mayor R. C. Marshall, Calgary.

Mr. T. Shaw received word last Tuesday that his brother Mr. J. H. Shaw of Toronto had died suddenly with the Flu. This is the second in Mr. Shaw's family in a very short time.

LOCAL NEWS

Mr. B. E. Mockerman of Arkansas City, Kansas, has accepted a position with J. R. Love.

Mr. W. H. Penner has moved to Victoria, B. C.

Mr. E. W. Carter is moving into town, to the house formerly occupied by C. P. Larson.

Mr. W. Gale was a visitor in Irma last week when he shipped the balance of his effects to Wetaskewin.

Mr. A. W. Tall will hold a sale of straw stock at the stock yard, Saturday afternoon.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Reed daughter, born April 5th.

Mr. Roy Merry returned to Irma last Thursday after spending four months in Seattle and other Washington points.

Mr. A. Howarth has rented his farm to Mr. W. G. Gunn and has left for Central, Wash.

Mr. M. D. McMillan, of Bremerton, spent the week-end with his brother Angus McMillan.

Mr. G. A. Sisson made a business trip to Edmonton the first of the week. Mr. J. G. Clark has been attending the Live Stock show at Edmonton.

We are glad to repeat that the Askin family are recovering from the recent illness they have had.

Mr. C. Christensen has taken over the repair room of the Ford garage.

Mr. R. O. Moore has bought out his brother's (L. L. Moore) interest in the Ford garage. Roy is busy unpacking supplies and getting ready for the spring rush.

SPECIAL SALE

The Ladies Aid are having a sale of aprons, home cooking and potted plants, on April 30th, any donations gratefully accepted. Don't forget the date, Saturday the 30th.

JARROW

M. Alberta Knudson has bought a new Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Garney and Son returned to Irma Wednesday after spending the winter at Montana.

Mr. R. Williamson was a visitor in Irma Wednesday.

Bob Derwick has returned from Ontario, where he has been staying this winter. Bob is working for George Smith at present.

Harold Whidden shipped a bunch of Cows to Edmonton lately. Prices were rotten.

J. P. Molds left for Denmark last week. He intends making an extended stay.

J. J. Therou is sporting a Maxwell car now.

T. A. Lindberg has bought a Ford which he is learning to drive.

Mr. Leslie Moore and his young bride nee Edwards has moved into the Valley, where he intends to take up farming.

Mr. T. Morris has also joined the ranks of the Benedicts. Mrs. Morris formerly Miss Gladys Craig of Turfedor, Sask. We extend a hearty welcome to the young couple. They might do worse than settle in Batts Valley.

We are glad to hear that Mr. and Mrs. V. Lindberg's little girl is well on the road to recovery after an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. T. Lockhart held an auction sale of horses and effects at the Jarro Livery barn April 8th.

Sidelights on Durum Wheat

Durum wheat has characteristics that make it superior to hard spring wheat of any variety for certain conditions. These conditions and the advantages and disadvantages are discussed in this article.

By B. J. WHITREAD, B. S. A.

Agronomists all over Western Canada are being questioned regarding the qualities of durum wheat. The most urgent enquiries come from the drier sections, where a wheat proven to possess more drought resistant qualities than those commonly grown would be heralded with enthusiasm. The wheat can be generally described as being a more vigorous grower than the common wheats. It has a very broad compact head, is bearded, with a large, hard, amber colored kernel. The grain is firmly held in the head by the chaff which prevents shattering, although it is not considered difficult to thresh.

Its great merits are drought and rust-resistance and high yield. Just why this wheat produces more bushels per acre than the common hard wheats is not known, but we know some crops are able to take a greater amount of moisture from the soil than others; that is, some crops cease growth while there is still enough moisture in the soil for another crop to continue to grow. Of the yield, sufficient to say that in all cases where durum wheats have been grown along with common varieties they have been found to produce from one to five bushels more per acre. For this reason it is little wonder that the dry land farmer should feel interested in this wheat.

Every few years we have a damp harvest which usually results in a certain amount of loss from rust. To have a wheat which can withstand the ravages of this disease is very desirable, especially when it combines with this drought resistance too. The merits of durum with respect to rust can best be shown by figures. In the rust year of 1916 one observer found it to yield about 12 1/2 bushels per acre more than Marquis on fall plowing and 2 bushels more per acre on fallow. Compared with Rex Fife the yield was even greater.

Why it is not more generally grown. The ideal bread flour contains a high percentage of gluten, which distinguishes it from soft or starchy wheat flour. Durum wheat flour contains a high percentage of gluten, but of a different quality as is evidenced by the difference in volume of the loaf, hard wheat flour producing 106 cubic inches for loaf per equal volume of dough to 168 cubic inches of loaf for durum flour. The respective colors of the flour are white and yellow, which is another factor affecting the popularity of this wheat on the market. Durum, however, produces a slightly greater percentage of flour than the common hard wheats. Durum is also free from such macerated and spaghetti are made, but for this use it has only a limited demand at present.

To quote the experiences of the U. S. farmers we find that during the war no discrimination in price was made between durum and hard spring wheats, and while the price varied from 3 to 4 cents per bushel in favor of hard wheats the extra yield was found to more than offset the difference in price.

The bread produced from durum is as nutritious and palatable as that of the hard spring wheats, but the taste of the consumer in America demands a white, light loaf of bread, not possible to produce from durum flour. At present a large amount of this wheat is blended with whiter flour producing wheats, but where hard wheat can be secured in large quantities millers are not anxious to carry on this practice, with the result that durum wheat is of little demand on the Canadian market and can be marketed only in carload lots. With an ever-increasing demand for a higher yielding wheat for dry areas it seems reasonable that if the Canadian consumer or miller will not take such wheat as the durum flour for sale we should look elsewhere for a suitable market. With a ready market this wheat would no doubt come to be grown extensively on the dry lands of the West.

When we speak of other markets we immediately look to Great Britain. There we find the consumer is accustomed to eating bread made from a blended flour; also that the people prefer a heavier and more solid bread than American, two very pleasing aspects for the dry farmer who aims at some future time to grow durum wheat for its greater yield.

While at present very little attention is being given to a possible market for any large quantity of this wheat, who can tell at what time the dry farmer may, through organization, develop a system whereby a market is provided for this wheat, enabling him to grow what is undoubtedly the greatest yielding class of spring wheats we have for dry areas? Much is being said of a wheat pool these days, and there is little doubt but that such an organization could find a ready demand for a product procurable in large quantities.

Durum Acreage Increasing.

In spite of the fact that this wheat is not in great demand on the market at present, we find the acreage sown increasing every year, especially in the United States. The older dry land farmers are looking for a wheat that is drought resistant, and until one of higher milling value has been found, possessing the drought resistant qualities of durum wheats, they will continue to grow this wheat for its high yield in spite of a discriminating market.

We must recognize a place in our dry farm areas for durum wheats if the man on such land is to get a high yield. If he is to be able to grow his wheat we must look to the markets. While foreign markets may be developed for particular products, it is our own country that where durum should prove most profitable. With a home market developed for this wheat, with its one to five bushels per acre higher yield, there would be from 20 to 40 million more bushels raised annually and dry farming would be both more popular and profitable.

It is hard to say just what can be done to induce the manufacturer to make this particular dry farm product of greater demand and to bring it into more general use, but, if the western areas could be classified and the most profitable crops assigned to them, based upon the finding of experiments soil analysis, moisture tests and meteorological data, we would then have a foundation on which to estimate the approximate output of farm products for the manufacturer to deal with.

Not only has the dry land farmer to contend with a low annual rainfall, but he troubled with excessive drying winds just at the time the grain is filling. These winds greatly retard the filling of our common wheats, a condition to which the durum wheats are not nearly so susceptible. Where these hot winds appear at harvest time is precisely the areas of lowest annual rainfall. We are fortunate to have only relatively small areas subject to hot winds and with a rainfall of less than 14 inches per annum.

Under experiment in areas of 14 inches and less rainfall per year durum wheats have markedly outyielded the common wheats. One reason suggested for this is that the plant, being a vigorous grower, is able to drain more water from the soil than other wheats. This is a characteristic of may cross, exemplified by brome grass growing until the moisture content of the soil reaches 9 percent, while timothy ceases to grow with 14 percent of moisture still in the soil. This point of why durum wheats are more drought resistant than most other classes of wheat is well worthy of investigation, but sufficient for the dry farmer to know that it is a larger yield and to understand its merits.—Nor-West Farmer, April 5.

Last season, Durham wheat produced from one third to over one half more than Marquis in the Irma district.

CHURCH NOTICES.

Sunday Services.

SUNDAY, APRIL 17TH
11 a.m. Preaching at Strawberry Plain
1 p.m. Preaching at Sunny Brae
3.30 p.m. Preaching at Roseberry
7.30 p.m. Preaching at Irma
Sunday School Sessions each Sunday.
12 a.m. at Ross, 2 p.m. at Irma and Alma Mater, 2.30 p.m. at Roseberry.

Sunday, April 24th.

11 a.m. Preaching at Ross.
3 p.m. Preaching at Alma Mater.
7.30 p.m. Preaching at Irma.
Sunday School Sessions each Sunday.
1 P.M. at Ross; 2 at Irma and Alma Mater, and 2.30 at Roseberry.
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The postponed lecture by Mr. Cameron B. A. under the auspices of the Ladies Aid will be given in the Co-op Hall on the night of April 20th. The subject "Transformation of England" is very interesting.

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